Remarks

Objection to the Oath

In the reply filed June 19, 2002, Applicants indicated that they would submit the declaration of Dr. Bloch once it was received. The declaration is now being submitted.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection have been properly traversed. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and that they be withdrawn. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Supplemental Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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